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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

THROUGH : Deputy Director/Intelligence

FROM : Acting Assistant Director, Scientific Intelligence

SUBJECT : Request for Permission to Appoint [redacted]
[redacted] as a Consultant to this Office.

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1. PROBLEM

To obtain the services of [redacted] as a consultant.

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2. FACTS BEARING ON THE PROBLEM

a. The Chemistry Division/SI is responsible under DCID 3/4 for intelligence on fundamental research and development and pertinent applied research and development in the field of chemistry.

b. The Chemistry Division/SI requires the services of a consultant who can furnish expert advice on foreign research and development activities concerned with the chemistry, process development and toxicology of chemical warfare agents.

c. The Consultant's Registry does not have the name of anyone with the necessary qualifications.

d. Permission has been granted by I&SO to contact [redacted] on the basis of a name check.

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3. DISCUSSION

a. An unusual opportunity exists in the field of chemical warfare to achieve technological surprise. Therefore, it is extremely important that the research and development activities of foreign countries which pertain to the chemistry, process development, and toxicology of chemical warfare agents be carefully analyzed. However, to analyze properly the intelligence information that becomes available, it is necessary to have a specialized knowledge and background in regard to chemical warfare agents that is not readily available. This is particularly true as regards knowledgeable individuals on the toxicology of chemical warfare agents, since research activities of this kind are limited and carried on under the closest security restrictions. Very few people are in a position, therefore, to become familiar with research techniques and problems, and consultants capable of rendering expert advice and assistance are difficult to find.

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c. [] knowledge of scientific education and other factors that influence scientific progress would also provide a source of information that would be invaluable to the Scientific Resources Division/SI in preparing estimates of foreign scientific capabilities.

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d. [] would be used approximately eight days per year (four visits of two days each); compensation would be \$50 per day.

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h. ACTION RECOMMENDED

That permission be granted to appoint [] as a consultant.

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CONCURRENCE:

[]
Deputy Director/Intelligence

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ACTION BY APPROVING AUTHORITY:

Date AUG 10 1953

Approved, subject to security clearance.

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(Director or Deputy Director)

Acting Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. DU

The attached proposes the appointment of Dr. [redacted] as a consultant to the Chemistry Division, OSI. He is an authority on the toxicology of chemical warfare agents and would furnish expert advice on foreign research and development activities in this field. [redacted] is Dean of the Graduate School, [redacted] and is a Professor of Chemistry and Dean of Research in the Natural Sciences. He would be used approximately 8 days per year at a rate of \$50 per day.

Recommend approval.

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